THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) According to information received from CBI, they have registered four cases under Section 25 of Arms Act, 1959 against arms dealers of Jammu, Delhi, Faridabad and Panipat and certain officials in Jammu, Faridabad and Gurgaon etc. The investigations are in progress.

Display of Netaji's belongings

3087. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Union Government has been drawn to the news-item "Netaji's belongings to be displayed" published in the Hindustan Times dated 24th November, 2001;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that Netaji was in India upto September, 1985, as published in the newspaper; and

(c) if so, whether it is also a fact that the original copy of Bangladesh constitution (that came into existence in 1971) is one of the items to be displayed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Justice Mukherjee Commission of Inquiry which has been appointed to inquire into the circumstances leading to the disappearance of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose held its sitting at Faizabad, U.P., from 26th to 29th November, 2001 during which it inspected the articles and documents allegedly of "Gumnami Baba" kept in the custody of the District Magistrate, Faizabad and segregated different articles and documents (including a copy of the Bangladesh constitution) out of them for close scrutiny thereof.

At this stage no further comments can be given on the said news-item.

Pak nationals in Rajasthan

3088. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-items "Pak national heads Rajasthan Civic body", published in the Hindustan Times dated 24th November, 2001;

(b) if so, the reasons for not checking his antecedents for the last more than 35 years living in Pali District of Rajasthan;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is a large number of such Pakistanis in Rajasthan, if so, the reasons for not promptly checking antecedents of such persons; and

(d) the action being taken against the authorities for such negligence in performing their duties?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The information is being collected.

Pakistani Nationals living in Madhya Pradesh

†3089. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Pakistani nationals living in Madhya Pradesh despite expiry of their visa periods;

(b) whether Government have any information with regard to return of such people; and

(c) the action taken against these people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) 888 Pak nationals are reported overstaying in Madhya Pradesh out of which 105 are reportedly not traceable.

(b) and (c) The powers under Section 3(2)(c) of the Foreigners Act 1946 to detect and deport foreign nationals, including Pak nationals, staying in the country unauthorisedly after the expiry of their visa, have been delegated to the State Governments/UT Administrations. Besides, administrative instructions are issued to them from time to time to launch special drives for the purpose. Detection and deportation is a continuous process and during 1997-1999, 11 Pak nationals were deported from Madhya Pradesh.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.